1864.

June 4th New York. –
Sat. Am here for the purpose of purchasing some supplies for Muhlenberg Mission & the Missionaries & also of making arrangements for the embarkation of Rev. John M. Rice & his wife & Mrs. Kistler all of whom are to sail on the "Bark Greyhound." Vessel will be detained longer than was expected – & therefore I can do but little till next week.

Having rather expected to cease my present work after the late meeting of the General Synod I can hardly feel reconciled to continue it any or much longer. This evening feel despondent. I pray for Divine guidance.

Sund. June 5th Preached in the morning in St. James Church – also Spoke briefly to Sunday School in the afternoon & heard Dr. Schock preach –

Mond, June 6th 1864

Still at New-York- vessel will still be longer delayed- Have purchased considerable amount of supplies.

This evening go with Mr. Geo. Ockershausen to visit his brother on Staten Island.

Tues. June 7th Came up from Staten Is. to the city this morning. Had a very pleasant visit- What vast Sums of money must be required to sustain each of the wealthy families living on the Island. This sort of life too has its weighty cares & its own peculiar vexations & troubles- Have today received a letter from Mrs. Kestler stating that on account of the illness of her little child she does not like to start from home even to go down to our house at Lancaster alone. Wrote to bro. Rice now at Philadelphia to go up to Annumum & bring her to Lancaster & wrote to my

wife requesting her to come along up here with Mrs. Kistler.

This evening started out with Rev. C— & Mr. O— to see some exhibition at one of the large halls, but found the place closed, & at the suggestion of the company went to hear Bryants Minstrels Sing. Was somewhat amused & entertained but did not upon the whole relish the affair. Life is too earnest a thing to be spent in that manner. I shall not go to such a place again.

Indeed the extravagance, the external grandeur of ~~the~~ life in this great city at this time has made me deeply sad. Never since my first view of New=york—when I had yet seen little of city life—has this city so impressed me with its unnatural unchristian character— The allurements to the young here, are almost endless. I long to witness

again the quiet scenes of simple country life!

Sunday June 12

New York.

Attended & addressed the Sunday School of Rev. Geisenhainer's Church in the morning. Lectured again same place at 2 O'clock — Evening preached in Brooklyn, in Bro. Hubers' Church.

Monday 13th This evening Bro. Rice & wife & Mrs. Kistler arrived here all well — to embark for Africa. Thank God that all things appear so favorable to their getting off very soon! I also this evening received a short letter from Bro. Kistler at the Mission stating that all things were in an encouraging state there, except that bro. Heigerd's health is not improved. What a comfort that God Stell smiles on our infant Mission!

Tuesday June 14th – New-York

Today have spent most of the time in shopping with Bro. Rice & in preparing & arranging various things for the embarkation. Tonight we held a Union Farewell Missionary Meeting in the German Lutheran Church at the Corner of 6th Avenue & 15th St. the Pastor of which is Rev. Dr. F. W. Geisenhainer. We had a pleasant time after the opening services I made some statements concerning the condition & prospects of Muhlenberg Mission to which Bro. Rice who was present was going, then there was a brief German address by Rev. Geisenhainer, followed by two English addresses by Rev. S. Buenitz & Rev. V. L. Conrad I then asked the Congregation or rather audience present for a contribution & received in

the sum of $201.40. All seemed well pleased with the Mission meeting & Bro. Rice who at my request also very briefly addressed the people simply asking them to remember him & those with him in prayer & bidding them an affectionate farewell.

Wed 15 Closed up bro Rices Instructions a letter to Bro. Kistler with their respective accounts - wrote some letters of introduction for bro. Rice - went with him about the City to procure some articles yet needed, & in the evening called with Bro. Rice & wife & Mrs. Kistler on Mrs. Weigery where we had prayer together & then went to the Ship. I delivered bro. Rice the papers & bade them all farewell. Returned here - Mr. Geo. P. Ockershausens about 11 Oclock - weary

& yet not inclined to Sleep.
May God bless our band of
Missionaries & give them a
pleasant & brief voyage!

Just as I was about to
retire tonight Bro. Geo. P.
Ockershausen came into my
room & handed me as a gift
for my own personal use
a roll of "Green Backs" which
after he left the room I found
to contain $50. I hesitated
to receive this large gift, as
I had already received so ma-
ny favors from this dear
& excellent brother, but he
said it was for me & he insis-
ted that I should take it. God
bless this benevolent & pious
brother in the Lord!

Thurs. Morning. June 16 –
Rose at 4 Oclock & Started for
the depot for the 6 Oclock train,
but feeling desirous to know how
our Missionaries had spent the
night & also to see them once

more I left my baggage at a Hotel & walked down to the Ship at Peir 43 East River & after spending a little time there & finding all comfortable I returned in time for the 7 Oclock train. Came on home after attending to some business with the Treasurer at Philadelphia Found my dear wife & little ones all very well. God be praised.
Frid June 17th to Sund 19th At home very hoarse from cold. Sat. Wrote to Mission Committee of Synod of Pa. making applica tion for larger grants than here tofore given. Also wrote brief Communications for Lutheran Observer & Lutheran & Missionary.
Mond 20th At home arranging report for Committee.
Tues. 21 Finished report & Bill in account & inclosed it to the Cor. Sec. Rev. J. Z. Senderling.

Wed. June 22. At home. Wrote to Revs. Senderling, Sheeleigh, Schmucker, & Menges.
Thurs. 23 at home
Frid 24 At home — Attended the funeral of Rev. A. C. Wedekind's little son of 4 years of age. Spoke briefly at the house — part 90 P.
Sat. 25 Having promised to preach once for the Trinity People here & also having been asked by Bro. Wedekind to preach once for him on tomorrow I remain at home till next week.
Sund. 26th Morning preached at Trinity Church — Afternoon attended Sunday School at St. Johns Ch. & also preached same place in the evening at 6 o'clock
Mond. 27 At home.
Tues. 28 "
Wed 29 Wrote a letter to Bro. Kistler at Muhlenberg & sent via England.
Thurs. ~~At~~ 30th Came to Balt. to operate for Miss. & also to have conference

with the Ex. Com. of Home Missions—
Frid. July 1st 1864
At Baltimore—No opportunity of doing any thing here for Ex. Miss. just now— Only an informal talk with the Com. of Home Missions, as I am not prepared to accept an appointment.
Sat. July 2nd Came to Fred. City—found the way open to operate, in Dr. Diehl's Church.
Sund. July 3rd This morning rumors of a Rebel invasion—do not credit them— Afternoon after preaching rumors increased & on going to the Provost Marshal's Office learned that there ~~has been~~ is a large force approaching Martinsburg—& that they are expected to invade Md.
Mond 4th A battle yesterday at Martinsburg—Union forces compelled to retreat toward Harper's Ferry. Could not go on to Middletown—Much alarm here—I return to Balt.
Tues. 5th Balt. Wrote to Rev. Butler at Wash. City—wishing to

visit his church in behalf of Missions

Wed. 6th Still at Balt. — moved from Washington — Lectured that evening at Lutherville.

Thurs. 7th At Balt. Bro. Butler sick at Philadelphia —

Frid. 8th Came home.

Sat. 9 Having seen Bro. Baum in passing through York yesterday & agreed to spend Sunday with him — to aid at Communion & also to present claims of Missions, came over that evening & preached preparatory sermon at night —

Sund 10th Morning much alarm about Rebel invasion — many people leaving the town — Audience small — but preached & aided Bro. Baum to administer Communion — Afternoon lectured to the S.S. only small attendance — Night preached to a small audience — but made no effort for Missions. Rumors increase — Official report of defeat of Gen.

Wallace at Monocacy Md. Much excitement.

Mond. July 11th Came home.

Tues. 12 to Thurs. 14th At home.

Frid. 15 Came to Selins Grove to operate for Missions — could not do so now.

Sat. 16th Came on up to Milton — here will spend Sunday.

Sund 17th Morning preached in Luth Church & also addressed the S. School — Evening lectured same place.

Mond 18th Came home. Found letters from Bro. Heigerd & Kistler & several of the Mission children — Bro. Heigerd has not come home as he intended

Tues. 19 Wrote to Dr. Schmucker Messrs. Yates & Porterfield & Mr. Kistler also to Bro. Geo Griffin & prepared a short article — extracts from letters — for the Lutheran Observer & Lutheran & Missionary.

Thurs. 21st At home—wrote to Rev. J. Z. Senderling—Read some. Today I am Forty-one years old. How rapidly time flies! How short this mortal life! How I should hasten to accomplish my work! And yet how idle & indifferent I often am! May help me more earnestly to labor while life yet endures! It has been pleasant to spend this day at home. Pleasant to me & to my dear affectionate wife & little ones, who have marked the day by various little kindnesses.

Frid. 22nd Went to Philadelphia & presented drafts for $1476.07 Expended by me for the Mission & lifted my notes given therefor when receiving the money. Returned this evening after attending to some other matters.

Sat 23rd Came to York Pa.

Sund. 24th Morning preached in St. Paul's Chu. York Pa. on Missions. Visited hospital with Dr. Brown

I Spoke briefly to the wounded Soldiers there, during the afternoon. Evening preached at Rev. Kreigs Church.

Mond. 25 Selected some books out of the library of the S.S. of St Pauls Ch. to send to Muhlenberg Mission — the Sunday School having granted this privilege.

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Wed. 27 " " Studying

Thurs. 28 Wrote to Mr. J. Kistler remitting $71.32 for Rev. J. Kistler — Wrote to Revs. Heigerd, Kistler & Rice in absentia & to Dr. Morris at Baltimore.

Frid. 29 Wrote to Nicholas Allemus & to Geo. P. Ockershausen. — Came to Sunbury — Lodge with Rev. Rhodes.

Sat 30th Rose early & took Cars for Muncy — Stopped with Rev. Parkass.

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Mond. — Aug. 1st 1864

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Tues. 9th At home till evening when went to Philadelphia

Wed 10th Attended funeral of Geo. C. Smith at Philadelphia. It was a sad sight to behold the little orphans - now total orphans the mother having died last winter.

Thurs. 11th At home - wrote to Revs. Born, Williams, & Knively & my mother-in-law,

Frid. 12 At home - have company.

Sat. 13 Went to Selinsgrove - Lodged with Rev. Domer.

Sund. 14 Forenoon preached ~~for~~ on missions in Eng. Luth Ch. of Selinsgrove also addressed the Sunday School - Afternoon preached for Dr. Zeigler in the German Reformed Church

Mond. 15 Came home from Selinsgrove - Wrote to R. W. Leightport Martin Buehler, Geo. P. Ockershausen, Yates & Porterfield & Burpett Webb.

Tues: 16th At home till afternoon when I started for Pittsburgh on my way to meeting of Wittenberg Synod at Springfield O. & to visit my brother in O. reached Pittsburgh at 1 A.M. o'clock

Wed 17th Called on Mr. Logan early in the morning. At 1 O'clock P.M. Started for Utica O. to see my brother - Reached Newark about midnight & had to wait till next morning to go to Utica

Thurs. 18th Reached Thomas' early spent with him about 3 hours pleasantly & left again for Newark - Eastern train for Columbus behind time reached Columbus too late to go on to Springfield by London or Xenia. Went to Delaware to see Rev. Lea but he was absent - could not go to Springfield till morning.

Frid. 19 Started at 6½ oclock for Springfield - Freight train 5

hours on the way - Going to Mother Smith's found her quite ill & found that they had already telegraphed for my wife to come on - Waited all the evening for a reply so as to know whether my wife would start & when. No reply

Sat. 20th After an almost sleepless night rose early & not hearing from Mrs. O. Started to Lancaster for her. Rode all day & all night

Mond. 21 This morning at 3 O'clock our train came to a wreck of a freight train near Newton Hamilton where we were detained 12 hours. - that is till three this evening. Then getting part I came on home & found that Mrs. Officer had left with all the children on Frid. night. So now after all this trouble & expense & deprivation of attending the Synod at Springfield - I now

turn about & take the 1 Oclock train for Pittsburgh again. I know not what to think, so disappointed & worried & baffled have I been in every thing for months past that I am losing all interest in my work & indeed in every thing good. I can sincerely truly that my way seems dark - It is doubtless my own fault - but in what particular I know not. I am weary & much depress ed in spirit. Oh Lord must this state of perplexi= ty & doubt continue. Open thou before me the way.

Mond. 22nd On the way from Lancaster to Springfield.

Tues. 23 Reached Springfield & found Mother Smith better. Atten ded the meeting of the Mtt. Synod during the afternoon. Night wrote to Sister Maria, Bro. Thom= as Mr. Bridges & Mr. Eloper.

Wed. 24th Came here — St. Paris O. to attend a meeting of the English District Synod of the Joint Synod, with a view to enlist that body's aid in our Mission Work. Spoke during the evening with some of the members, all of whom seemed favorably disposed.
Thurs. 25th Presented the interests of our cause to the Synod & had a somewhat lengthy discussion, but had no final action, nor do I think that they will do any thing in the cause. Some of these brethren seem to be very well disposed, & to have some breadth of view but others manifest a degree of narrowness & prejudice not much less than the heathen Africans to whom I was urging them to send Missionaries. I might with almost

as much consistency plead
the cause of there men before
the sable sons of the jungle.
Frid. 26th Came to Springfield–
Mother Smith improving a
little.– Wrote to Lightfoot.
Sat. 27th Came to Dayton. Ohio.
Sund. 28th Morning preached in
Eng. Luth Ch. of Dayton on the
subject of Missions– & in the ev=
ening preached same place again.
Mond. 29th At Dayton visiting
members of the Church at Dayton
& taking their contributions
to Missions–
Tues. 30th Finished visiting the
members– Amount received
about $150.
Wed. 31 Came all to Spring
field where my wife still
is. Wrote to Dr. Pohlman.
Thurs. Sept. 1st 1864.
At Springfield Ohio.
Frid Sept 2nd At Springfield–
Wrote, Yates & Porterfield, Miss. Sheigard
& Mrs. Kistler.

Sept. 3rd Wrote to Rev. W. R. Fleck, & Revs. J. Kistler & J. M. Rice in Africa.
Afternoon Came to Crofts Church to Spend Sunday with Rev. G. B. Ort, pastor of this Charge.
Sund. Sept. 4th Forenoon preached at Crofts Church. Afternoon Spoke briefly to Sunday School meeting at Osborn & preached at Midway; at night preached at New Carlisle.
Mond. 5th Came to Springfield — wrote to Revs. Knisely & Ruthrauff — H. H. Peden Esq. — Also to Rev. J. Z. Lindeling.
Tues. 6th At Springfield — Wrote to Rev. A. C. Wedekind & Mr. Burkitt Nebr.
Wed. 7th At Springfield — wrote & mailed extracts from Mission letters for the Church Papers. Also wrote to J. Cochran Esq. & Rev. R. Neumann.
Thurs. 8th Came to Bellefontaine O. — visiting friends —
Frid 9th & Sat 10th At Bellefontaine.

Sund. 11th Forenoon preached at West Liberty & addressed the S.S. Afternoon addressed the Lutheran S.S. & also the Presbyterian at Bellefontaine & at night preached in the Lutheran Church
Mond 12. Came to Findlay & lodged at the house of my dear friend & bro. Imhoff.
Tues. 13 Was brought here — Arcadia by bro. Imhoff — to see my mother & sister who have removed to this place. Wrote to Susan
Wed. 14th At Arcadia — wrote to Susan — to Alice to bro John Peters.
Thurs. 15 At Arcadia — Wrote to Susan & to Mr. Cochran. Visited Hartands
Frid. 16th At Arcadia — Wrote to Thomas — Ref. Home — & Rev. Stelling. Preached at night in this place —
Sat. 17th Wrote to Rev. J. B. Rid[illegible] Came to Findlay
Sund. 18th Morning Spoke to the S. S. of Luth. Ch. & preached Same place — Afternoon Spoke on

missions at Zolls Church — night preached in Lutheran Chr in Findlay.
Mond. 19th At Findlay — Wrote to Miss Lizzie M. Coy — Sister of Mrs. Kistler also to North Surface of Florance Boone Co. K. Y. — Visited some old friends.
Tues. 20th At Findlay. Wrote to Dr. Diehl in behalf of Mrs. Gunn & to H. G. Rogers,
Wed. 21st Came to Carey — I met here my wife & children on their way to visit my mother at Arcadia Stay here tonight with Bro J. Funk. Am not well.
Thurs. 22nd Susan & the children have gone to Arcadia — & today I came to Ft. Wayne.
Frid 23rd At Ft. Wayne.
Sat 24th At Ft Wayne — preached a preparatory sermon
Sund 25th Preached forenoon & aided the pastor here to administer the Communion. Afternoon addressed the S. S. At night preach-

ed.

Mond. 26th Remitted a draft to Geo. P. Ockelshausen of New-York for $94.66. Afternoon took cars with Revs. Rathrauff & Long for meeting of Synod of Northern Indiana; Stopped at Huntingdon during the night.

Tues. 27th Came to Camden — attended meeting — spoke in the evening.

Wed 28th Attending Synod.

Thurs. 29th Attending Synod — at night presented the cause of missions.

Frid. 30th Started early for meeting of Southern Illinois Synod at Jonesboro, Ill.

Sat. Oct. 1st Reached Jonesboro Union Co. at 4 o'clock — Stopped at Hotel — This morning rainy — wrote to Susan. Walked through the rain & mud about three miles to Union Church. Found the little Synod in session

Stopped with a Mr. P. H. Culper
Sund, Oct 2nd Attended servi ces at Union Church - At night spoke on Missions before the Synod & congregation,
Mond 3 Attending Synod - Even ing came to Jonesboro. Staid at Hotel
Tues. 4th Wrote letter to Susan & at 9 Oclock took the cars for Makanda Station - at which place I got off to go into the country 4 miles to examine a small tract of land which I purchased a year or two ago. The rain which began early so increased that after walking some three miles & losing my way I was obliged to stop at the house of Mr. V. H. Deyo & staid during the night. Found him quite an inteligent & kind man.
Wed. 5 This morning being incli ned to return to the Station with out going to see the land, Mr.

Sego urged me not to do so but to take his horse & ride over to it. Accepting this offer I went to the place found the land & am well pleased with it—regarding it worth more than it has cost me. Returning to Mr. Segos I took dinner & walked to Con-cordale in the evening 8 ms. from Segos & 10 from Makanda. Lodged at the "Branch House" Thurs. 6th Rose early & took the cars for De Soto where I had sent an appointment to preach to some Lutheran people on the subject of Missions. But on reaching this place find that on account of a political meeting at the same house no appointment was made. I there-fore after taking dinner with Rev. Herety who resides in the country three miles I came in & took the cars for Indian-apolis. Missed the connection at Mattoon & am here delayed

14 pieces. Can get no lodging as there are some one or two hundred passengers delayed here & also a Regiment of Soldiers awaiting there pay & mustering out.
Frid. 7th Having slept only a little last night sitting in a space in a noisy box room I feel uncomfortable. Wrote to Sister. Reached Indianapolis about 8 Oclock tonight & went to Bro. Kunkelman's where I received a warm welcome.
Sat. 8th A very cold windy day not well having taken cold
Sund. 9th Got a letter forwarded here from Bro. Steigerd stating that Bro. Rice had reached the mission & he was about to leave for Cape Palmas & thence home. Preached here forenoon. Addressed S.S. afternoon & preached again at night.
Mond. 10th This afternoon came from Indianapolis to Springfield.

Tues Oct. 11th Came to Findlay & thence to Arcadia where my wife & children have been staying two weeks with my mother. Found all well.
Wed. 12 Came back to Findlay. Lodged with Bro. Imhoff.
Thurs. 13th Came from Findlay to Mansfield, O. On way to East O. Synod
Wed. 14th Wrote to Rev. Williams & to Mr J. Kistler. Came over from ~~cat~~ Mansfield to Ashland to attend E. O. Synod. Preached at night on Missions.
Sat. 15 Left Ashland at 3 oclock afternoon for Pittsburgh, Pa
Sund 16 Reached this place Pittsburgh Pa at 3 Oclock this morning — Preached forenoon for Rev. Hill in Pittsburgh — afternoon at Allegheny for Bro. Goetman — at night again for Bro. Hill.
Mond. 17th Took the 3 Oclock train at Pittsburgh for Baltimore — reached this place at 6 oclock this evening

One object in coming to Baltimore at this time is to confer with the Ex. Com. of Home Missions with reference to the mission work in the West & with reference to my accepting the position Supt of Home Missions. This evening had a conversation with some members of the Com. & I think I shall accept the position. May God direct me!

Tues. Oct 18th Attended the meeting of the Maryland Synod now in session here — Made some statements in regard to the condition & prospects of our Foreign Missions & solicited the continued support of the Synod. Subject was well received & resolution was adopted to take collections in their churches.
Met the Executive Committee this forenoon & after a free interchange of views I accept

ed the position of Supt. with a Salary of $800. & traveling expenses to be paid. Afternoon attended Synod — at night attended the instalation of Rev. Martin as Missionary of the Federal Hill Station.

Wed. 19th Came to Harrisburgh — had conference with many of the brethren assembled here at the College Convention held yesterday & today. After once more careful review of the whole matter I today write my resignation of the Mission agency — & inform the Committee through the secretary Rev. J. Z. Senderling that I shall cease operations in the agency the last of this month. Write also to my dear wife. Lodged with bro. Conrad at Mr. Hummels.

Thurs. 20th At Harrisburgh before noon — write to Revs. Kunkelman Helling & Steck

Frid. 21st At Lancaster wrote some extracts of letters from Africa for the Church papers.

Sat. 22 Arranging accounts forenoon afternoon came to Lebanon.

Sund. 23rd Forenoon Preached in the Luth. Ch. here Lebanon served by Rev. Schmauk. Afternoon addressed S. S. of same Ch. & Night heard Dr. Conrad Speak of endowment of Colleges in Rev. Gotwalds Ch.

Mond. 24 Came to Lancaster Recei-ved a letter from my wife but am still unable to determine whether it is best for us to rem-ain west or return here for the winter. Write letters to Susan & some others.

Tues 25th At Lancaster Wrote to Revs. Stelling Ruthrauff & Anstadt Have arranged to spend next Sunday at Canton O. & thence go to Alliance to commence Home mission work. Intend to leave tonight for Brush Valley thence to Pittsburgh & thence to Canton.

Wed. 26th This morning at 1 Oclock took the Cars for Homer Indiana Co. Pa. & thence rode on horseback to Mr. Nicholas Altemus, Brush Valley Executor of Adam Altemus by evening. Here I lodge tonight.

Thurs. 27th This morning received $257.15 cash from Mr. Altemus & his note for $300.00 due in one year - these with the $300.00 received last Spring make the amount of the six shares - or six seventh of the $1000.00 legacy.

Came back to Mr. Cary's near Homer. A very rainy day.

~~Thurs.~~ Friday 28th Went to Indiana to see Mr. Henty. Evening came to Pittsburgh.

Sat. 29. Wrote to Mr. Buehler remitting a Check for $788.00 & my note for $79.70. Came to Canton O. where I met my family

Sund. 30th Reached at Canton in the Afternoon - on Foreign Missions.

Mond. Oct. 31st Having determined today to remove from Lancaster to Canton O. I procured a house till Spring - & at 4 Oclock to the Cars for Lancaster - traveled all night. Was very sad all night in view of our removal, as I have become much attached to Lancaster.

Tues. Nov. 1st 1864.

Reached Lancaster this forenoon & at once began preparation for moving - Made arrangements for selling off part of our goods &c. Very busy all day - Received letters from Revs. Rice & Kistler in Africa stating that Mrs. Rice & Mr. Rice have both had slight fever but are better. May the Lord preserve them! Wrote tonight till midnight arranging Mission accounts. Am very weary

Wed. Nov. 2nd Packing up all

day & till now 12 Oclock at night.

Thurs. 3rd Packing & getting ready to remove — Oh what a task!

Frid. 4. Still preparing to move very busy

Sat 5 Today had a public sale of part of our goods — my first experience of this kind — would rather not repeat it. Are now nearly ready to ship what I take West. But learn a letter from Rev. Sunderling stating that the Committee of For. Miss. desire me to meet them at New York next Tues. So I cannot go west before the last of next week at least. This evening wrote to Revs. Miller & McKee & to Luther. an Observer & Lochman.

Sund. 6th Forenoon preached at in St John's Church, Lancaster — Afternoon briefly addressed the S.S. of Trinity Church — Evening heard Bro. Baird preach a good discourse.

Wed. Nov. 7th Finished packing up — busy till late at various matters preparatory to leaving.

Tues. 8th Rose early prepared goods for shipping — got all on board the Cars at 12 Oclock voted for Lincoln — Afternoon Wrote to Martin Buehler — remitted Contributions amounting to $574.15

Wed. 9th Came to Pittsburgh after attending to various small duties at Lancaster — Left Lancaster with a sad heart as I had become much attached to many of the people there.

Thurs. 10th Reaching Pittsburgh about 2 Oclock this morning & having some business to attend to here before going on to Canton O. where I expect to reside till Spring. I here at the Hotel have written letters to Rev. J. Morris of Balt. & Krauth of Philadelphia

– also to Rev. Geo. Whipple of New-York City – Afternoon came to Canton O. & found my family all well. Thank the Lord.

Frid. 11 at Canton – Making some purchases ~~for~~ of furniture &c. to commence housekeeping at this new place of residence. What an amount of trouble is connected with a removal! Wrote to Rev. Kunkelman, & Morine.

Sat. 12 Forenoon at same. After-noon came to Alliance at which point there are a few Lutheran families & therefore we have thought of commencing a mission. I lodge tonight with Mr. Miller, but have called on & talked with others. May the Lord direct us in this matter.

Sund. 13th Not being able to get an appointment made for this morning I attended service at the Methodist Church, heard a good discourse by Rev. Leonard. Evening preached to a small audience in

the Presbyterian Church - The walking was very bad & the night cold & snowy. Felt but little power in preaching.
Mond. 14th Walked to the country nearly 4 ms. to visit the Powel family - very kind reception indeed - Returned in the afternoon & met Rev. Stelling who had come down from Canton to consult in regard to the proposed mission - we also expected Rev. Smith but he did not come. Night returned to Canton
Tues. 15 Our household goods arrived today - busy fixing up
Wed 16 Thurs. 17 Busy at domestic matters
Frid 18 Afternoon Came to Alliance - found some more Lutheran families - Lodged with Dr. Barr.
Sat 19th Morning wrote to Rev. L. A. Gotwald D.D. to Rev. H. R. Heck Started for Wheeling - detained at

Wellsville 4 hours — there wrote to Dr. Sprecher & Rev. S. J. Berlin — arrived at Wheeling at 9 Oclock at night — was met by bro. M. C. Horine & conducted to bro. Baernitz lodgings at the Female Seminary.

Sund. 29th Preached forenoon at the North Wheeling mission under care of Pitts. Synod & served by bro. Baernitz — Afternoon addressed the Sunday School there & at the request of the contemplated South Wheeling miss. where bro. Horine has been preaching for a few weeks. & at night preached at the latter place in a Presbyterian Church now not occupied by that people. Lodge tonight with Elder named Ott, of this Pres. Church — A most generous & pious & intelligent family. This evening also I met the Trustees of the above Church — namely Ed. Steele Mr. Ligfton, Mr. Corson, & Mr. Morrow, the other having removed from the place —

& secured from them the use of the Church till the first of next April.

Mond 21st Wrote to the Ex. Com. H. Miss. recommending the acceptance of North Wheeling or Ritchie Town as a Mission Station & the appointment of Rev. M. C. Horine as missionary. Afternoon visited Rev. Beckemeier & others. Evening lectured on West Africa in the hall occupied by the North Wheeling Miss. Church.

Tues. 22 Spoke briefly to the pupils of the seminary in the morning & at 11 O'clock set out for Alliance, where Bro Stelling was to spend last Sunday & remain till I came. ~~Had a short interview~~ Detained at Wellsville — where I wrote to Rev. Brown about Canton O. Reached Alliance after dark — had a short conference with Bro. Stelling & the brethren there &.

came home to return there on Friday & preach at night. All well at home

Wed. 23rd Joyed a large number of letters to be answered — not so comfortably fixed here yet as to feel comfortable. Wrote to Mr. Geo. B. Seindorff Canal Dover O. & to Sister Lecta. & Rev. J. W. Goodlin

Thurs. 24 Forenoon attended thanksgiving services conducted by Bro. Helling & heard an excellent discourse. Afternoon Wrote to Rev. Roth of Pitts. Mr. E. Zeigler Gettysburg, Mr. G. J. Rice & Martin Buehler Esq. ~~Ab~~

Frid. 25 Wrote letters to Revs. Kistler & Rice in Africa — Rev H. R. Fleck, Lewistown Pa. Rev. J. H. Brown, Mr. Geo B. Seindorff — Evening came down to Alliance & preached.

Sat 26. The people of the contemplated Mission Church here not having yet procured a place of ~~meeting~~ permanently & there

being here a comfortable Church belonging to the Baptists I started out this morning to see the Trustees & procure the Church as it is unoccupied - Trustees would not act unless the request first came from some of the principal members - went on foot to the country first on one & then on the other side of town to various members - obtained written consent of all the male members I could hear of & then went to some indeed finally to all the trustees - all willing but one - he thinks they may need the Church - but will agree that we have it half the time till they obtain a pastor to occupy it each Sunday regularly. To this I think we shall agree. Walked today between 15 & 20 miles along R. Roads - through field & woods & over muddy

roads - the weather having been very rainy - Came back this evening to Dr. Barrs muddy weary, & hungry.

Sunday Nov. 27. Alliance - Preached here twice yesterday. That is forenoon & at night. Attendance pretty good & attention very good.

Mond. Nov. 28. Alliance - Today I spent in visiting those that are living in & about this place & are nominal Lutherans or are inclined to unite with our proposed organization, & I find about 40 persons here that I think will unite with us. This is very encouraging. Thank God! I return home tonight - having just had a meeting with the Trustees of the Baptist Church here & secured in writing permission to occupy their Church each second Sunday till they employ a preacher who will preach each Sunday regularly.

Tues. 29th Canton - Came home last night - all well - Today wrote my final report to Ex. Com. Fr. Mis. to be presented at New-York on the 7th of next month.

Wed. 30 Canton forenoon - Wrote to Rev. J. Frank & - Hough - Afternoon Came down to Alliance & lectured on the Country Soil & productions of West Africa.

Thurs. December - 1864

1st Visited some Lutheran families here in forenoon & also wrote to Ex. Com. a brief report in regard to Alliance & our prospects here. - Afternoon went to Mt. Union College 1½ mile distant to hear Ex-Secretary Chase deliver an address, on the occasion of the dedication of the New College edifice the address was an inferior one - not such as would be expected from Mr. Chase - but he was not willingly there - nor was he

at all prepared. Evening, returned to Alliance & heard Bro. Stelling preach a good discourse. I also met Bro. Hock whom I had invited there to preach next Sunday with a view to become pastor of the proposed Mission Church here & of the Church at North Georgetown.

Fri. Dec. 2nd Spent forenoon at Alliance calling upon persons expected to unite with the Mission Church & introducing Bro. Hock. — Afternoon came home — All pretty well — except our dear little Lizzie who has long been in rather feeble health & who at times suffers very much. Am sad this afternoon at the thought of having to leave home again tomorrow to remain absent more than two weeks. God help me, for I feel weak & depressed! I find my work difficult & laborious. Wrote to Ch. Council at North Georgetown.

Sat. 3rd This forenoon came down from home to Alliance had a short talk with bro. Fleck & others at that place & then took cars for Pittsburgh arriving same evening— Lodged with my dear friend & bro. Lyday.
Sund. 4th Forenoon heard bro. Hill preach here Pittsburgh— & after the Sermon I made some statements concerning Home Miss. Evening preached for Rev. Hill.
Mond. 5th Visited a few of the members of the Church here Pittsb.— & obtained subscriptions amounting to $300.— Evening took cars for Philadelphia—
Tues. 6th Reached Philadelphia at 7 Oclock— attended to some business with Mr. Buehler Treas. of Foreign Missions— preparatory to the meeting of the Com. Here learned that the Committee meeting will be held in Albany instead of New York.— At 11 Oclock took cars for New York, where

I arrived at 3 Oclock – after a little business at New-York – and a short visit to Mr. Eckershausen took the Cars for Albany at 10.50 in the evening.

Wed. 7th Reached Albany at 6½ Oclock this morning – but after all the Energy & expense to get here so early – find that the Com. will not meet till 1 Oclock today – Do not feel well. Have taken cold. The Lord direct us in the business before us!

Afternoon a long session taken up with Mf. Miss. business – a very cordial meeting – did not finish the business – Evening – had a missionary meeting at night in Br. Pohlman's Church – small attendance but spirited meeting – I delivered a short address. – Lodge ~~at~~ tonight with Mrs. Patten Br. Pohlman's daughter – whose husband – an excellent man – died a few months ago.

Thurs. 8th This morning met again – Finished Mf. Mission business.

& handed over all the books
& papers to Rev. J. Z. Sonderling
Cor. Sec.— The meeting was very
cordial— the brethren were very
fraternal— My intercourse with
them has been very pleasant.
Evening—came down to New-
York, arriving at 10 Oclock.
Frid. 9th At New-York— purcha-
sing supplies for the Af. Miss.
as I have agreed to purchase
the orders now on hand.
Sat. 10th New York— finished the
purchases for the Miss.— A very
stormy snowy day.
Sund. 11th Preached morning &
afternoon at St. James Church
New-York. An inclement day—
small audiences.
Mond. 12 This morning before day
light I started from Bro. Geo. P.
Oakes'[illegible] & went to the
Jersey City ferry— to take the
train for Philadelphia. Train
delayed by the severe cold—
a bitterly cold day. Received
while at New York before

tion of $200. for Home Missions.
Reached Philadelphia at 1½ O.
Attended to some business matters
Settled with Mr. Buehler Treas.
& at 8 O clock took cars for
Lancaster H. Miss. funds on hand $2.800
Com. fund $3.000
Tue. 13th Left Lancaster at 11
O. & reached Balt. at 6 - and
Received a cordial greeting from
Dr. Morris as I have always done
before.
Wed. 14th. Visited the pastors &
some of the people here to con-
sult about raising funds $500.
for the benefit of the Federal
Hill Mission. Wrote to Rev. Flock
informing him that having receiv-
ed letters here from the people of
Alliance O. that they would not
be satisfied with him as pas-
tor of the proposed mission Church
I could not recommend ~~him~~ his appointment
to the Committee. Tonight Letter
~~Thurs. 15th~~ rec'd for Dr. Stock.
Thurs. 15th Still at Balt. Fore-
noon & part of afternoon spent

with Rev. H. Bishop ^Cor. Sec.^ examining the list of Missionaries ^ruy^ on the funds of the Home Miss. Soc. where they are located - how much they receive - & what encouragement is given in their reports. Much of the money I fear is not well appropriated. Rev. Bishop & I prepared business for the meeting. of the Com. tonight. Afternoon examined into the state of the effort on the part of the joint Committee of the Churches here to raise the $500 which they promised to pay toward the salary of Rev. Martin at Federal Hill Mission & found that nothing had been done yet, & that a debt of $100 against the Mission must be provided for as well as the $500 Salary. Tonight the Com. met in Dr. Morris' Study & had a long session. Among the items of business transacted the following

relate more especially my depart-
ment of work. That I am to
visit the brethren of those synods (
so far as I can) that do not co-op-
erate with the society & endeavor
to have them form a union
with the society on the basis of
its constitutional provisions. That
my moving expenses from Lancaster
Pa. to Canton O. amounting to $60.
be paid. That I visit as far as
I can the missions of the West
& ascertain their state & prospects
& efficiency of the missionaries & re-
port to the Com.— That I try
to secure the $1000. dollars due
the Maryland Synod from Rev.
J. B. McAfee of Kansas. The
meeting was harmonious. I retire
late & weary.

Frid. 16th Wrote to the people of
Alliance— ~~Visited Rev. Lowenty & Stap~~
Write to my wife. Have been busy
nearly all day in soliciting sub-
scriptions to the $600. for the Feder-
al Hill Mission. Succeeded pretty

well. Having raised about $500.
Tonight had a long talk with
Rev. Swartz & wife about their
going to Alliance O. They think
favorably of it. May the Lord
direct them! Retire late & wea-
ry.
Sat. 17th This morning set out
to finish the subscription, but
having met with bro. Swartz I
at his request accompanied him
to Dr. Kurtz to consult him
about Bro. Swartz going to Alliance. The Dr.
favors it. Rest of the day spent
in soliciting subscriptions to the
$600. Slow work - Myself tired -
much talk - much crookedness
- words of complaint - "Poverty"
in Mansions & "Limited means"
displayed in gorgeous apparell
& presumptions living!! Have
been on my feet nearly all day
& till ten O'clock tonight.
May God give me patience to be
faithful in this work & may
He abundantly prosper it!!!

Sund. 18th Morning rode with Mr. J. M. Brandel to Canton or East Baltimore to preach in a little Lutheran Church there, but owing to something being wrong ~~could~~ with the heating apparatus there could be no fire & we had no services. Afternoon addressed the Sunday School of Mon. St. Luth. Ch. Also later preached in Lombard St. Ch. Night attended services at Federal Hill Miss. & heard Dr. Martin preach a good discourse. Lodge tonight with Dr. Morris.

Mond. 19th Rose early — wrote to Revs. Rice & Kistler in office to Rev. Sonderling & to my wife. Finished the Sub. for Federal Hill Mission. Had a long talk with bro. Swartz about his going to Alliance, but having called his Council together & having heard from their utter unwillingness to have him go, he now declines the invitation to Alliance. Wrote a short report to the Ex.

Conv. about the effort in behalf of the Fed. Vill. Miss.

Tues. 20th Left Baltimore at 9 O'clock & Came on to Lebanon Pa to See Bro Gotwald about going to Alliance — Remain here to night after a long talk — he cannot decide the case.

Wed 21st Came over to Harrisburgh in the morning — There wrote to Rev. Ruthrauff & to Mr. J. P. Ockershausen. At 1.40 afternoon took the train for Altoona, but owing to the disabling of the engine & the heavy fall of snow did not reach this place till after Midnight, & it was then too late to go out to Duncans ville where Bro. Berlin whom I want to see, lives — Here therefore I lodge & stay till morning & am obliged to rest best I can on a bench as I can get no bed. This afternoon & tonight while the gay & frivolous passengers were

indulging in extravagant mirth I was enabled to abstract my mind & enjoyed much in silent prayer to God upon my work - which now presses heavily upon my soul. One great difficulty which I meet is the want of men suitable for the mission work. May raise up for us more men having the true mission spirit.

Thurs. 22nd Went out this morning to Duncansville & had a full conference with bro. Barlow; & find him willing to engage in the mission work, but unable to leave his present field before middle of March. Am quite unwell today owing to loss of rest & cold. Returning to Altoona for the mail train to Pittsburgh I have here written to Rev. P. G. Bell - J. T. Williams & ___ Culler. & now await the ~~train~~ 9.40 train.

Frid. Dec. 23rd Arrived at Pittsburgh this morning at 2 Oclock- called on a few persons there & received subscriptions to Home Missions amounting to $250. Taking the 2 O. afternoon train for home, had the pleasure of seeing my dear friend & bro. Dr. Sprecher on the train & having a long conversation with him on Church affairs- reached home at 9 Oclock, & found my dear family well.

Sat. 24th Evening came to Alliance to preach tomorrow.

Sunday 25 Preached morning & evening here- Alliance- but had not large audiences as my letter did not reach the brethren in time for notice in the town paper.

Mond. 26th Came home from Alliance. Wrote to Rev. Fleck & Mr. Ockelshausen.

Tues. 27th At home- Wrote to Revs. L. A. Gotwald, J. Evans, J. W. Goodlin, J. W. Hutch, R. F. Delo, & Dr. J. H. Officer

Wed. 28th At home

Thurs. 29 At home forenoon wrote to Rev. Brown— Having had letters from the Council & members of the Churches at New Philadelphia & Canal Dover & to visit them, with a view to aid in settling some difficulties in that Charge, & being urged by Bro. Stelting the former pastor to go at this time, I took cars this afternoon with a heavy heart for Phila. While waiting for the Southern train at Alliance I wrote letters to Mr. O. Follett, Pres. San. Sand. & Cin. R.R.— To F. Myers—Gen. ticket Agt. Pitts. Ft Wayne & Chi. Ry. & to Rev. J. Berlin. Talked a little with the ~~for~~ some of the persons expecting to enter our Mission Church here Alliance & found them more encouraged & more earnest than ever before. It seems that my last visit here did good. The Lord be praised. What effort is necessary in these new fields! Reached

New Philadelphia about 10 Oclock
& lodged with Br. Otis. Talked
till Midnight & retired, very
sad, at the State of things here.
Frid. 30th At New Philadelphia.
Attempting to reconcile difficul-
ties in the Church here.
Sat. 31 Still at Philadelphia
bound,

# January 1865

1st

At Philadelphia forenoon
Submitted a compromise to
the two parties in the Ch.
but it was not received. It
however may be yet. Spoke
to the Sunday School— After
noon preached at Canal Do-
ver, & detaining the members
of the Church advised them
with the people at Broad
Run & Strasburgh to form
a Charge independent of Phil-
adelphia. The proposition was
pretty well received— hope
the plan will be adopted

Monday Jan. 2nd Rode with Mr. Bair to ~~Broadrun~~ Brand Run to see about the union of the Churches in a Charge. Arranged that the Councils of the three Churches ~~should~~ ~~the~~ Shall meet at Canal Line Saturday Jan. 14th. Evening came home. All pretty well.
Tues. 3rd At home - wrote to Martin Buehler - remitting $23.36 from S. S. of Emmanuels Ch. New Phila for For. Miss.
Wed. 4th At home Wrote to Revs. Sunderling - Brown - Williams - Horine - Bishop & Gotwald.
Thurs. 5th At home - Wrote to Revs. Bealin, Ruthrauff - Kunkleman, & Ort. Also. Rev. Gotwald.
Frid 6th At home forenoon Wrote to Geo. P. Ockershausen. Afternoon came down to Alliance, Wrote to Rev. Wedekind & to Mr. Enoch Lewis Esq. Am to lecture here tonight - Feel really sad

So much labor & care are needed to create & sustain an interest in these new & bustling towns on the R. R.
I long to be more at home, & to labor more at one place. But just now feel sure that I should continue in my present work. May God help me to do it well. I feel more & more the necessity of leaving out of view all considerations & motives except that of real usefulness to the cause of Christ. Yet how hard to hold myself steadily to such a purpose as this! But I am resolved still to try & may my Great Helper afford me all needful aid!
I have come here to hold meetings for a week or more at nights & may the Lord make me abundantly useful here! Lectured here tonight.

Sat. 7th & At Alliance — Wrote to Revs. Sievers, Hay, Ehrenfeld, Cutter, Fenner, Sprecher & Ir. Mouth Sheppard.

Sunday 8th Forenoon preached to a small audience at Alliance — deep snow roads not broken very cold. Night preached at Alliance again — audience better.

Monday 9th Morning wrote to G. W. Stilling Manual Server & now await the train for Pittsburgh where I design to go today to finish my subscription there to Home Miss. Reached Pittsburgh at 4 O'clock.

Tues. 10th Got a list of members of Pittsburgh Church & called on a few for contributions — a very rainy day. Became acquainted with a young bro who I hope will become a Home Missionary.

Wed. 11 Finished soliciting contributions & have now obtained in this congregation — Eng. Luth

eran Church of Pittsburgh – Rev. Reuben Hill pastor the sum of $ 1.004 – a large contribution. Lectured for bro. Hill this evening & am very tired having been on my feet all day. Have just had a long talk with bro. Bell on the subject of Home Missions – he is thinking of entering the work. Have just written a brief report to the Ex. Com. & it being now after 1 Oclock I have concluded to take the 2 Oclock train for Alliance.

Thurs. 12th Reached Alliance at daylight – Met bro. Brown who came over on Tues. with a view to become pastor here. Spent the forenoon in visiting the people with with bro. B. & introducing him to their acquaintance. At noon took the train for home & have found all well. Thank God.

I have just read a large number of letters that arrived in my absence, some of them from some of the Missionary brethren who are discouraged & dissatisfied with their fields & desire to change - others urging me to visit them at once. These grievances & disappointments after my prostration from labor & want of rest are almost more than I can bear - I have sought relief in prayer & to some extent have found it. But Oh this continual burden & the mind! These perplexing cares that seem to drink up my spirits & exhaust all my strength. Blessed Jesus! This work is thine. I would be thine promote it as thou wilt through me!

This evening wrote to Revs. Ruthrauff Delo, Horine, & Mr. Ockerhausen.

Frid. 13th Left home for Alliance & thence for Canal Dover at noon. Visited some at Alliance Wrote to Mr. William P. Weymer,

Reached Canal Dover, at 9½ at night. Not well.
Sat 14th At Canal Dover — Forenoon wrote to Le. Norris & Rev. J. B. Kunkleman. Tonight Bro. H. J. Watkins met me here with a view to become pastor — Preached tonight in the Methodist Church of this place — & after services rode with Bro. Jonas Brair to his home near Broad Run Church 4½ miles from Dover. Bro. Watkins along.
Sunday 15 Forenoon preached at the United Brethren Church near Broad Run — the Lutheran Church being too much out of order to be occupied — & after services called together the brethren & urged on them the duty of securing a pastor — they agreeing to make the effort along with Canal Dover I made an appointment for Bro. Watkins next Sunday afternoon. Afternoon preached

at Canal Lever & detaining the members prepared to them to form a charge with Brand-Run & recommended to them to call Bro Watkins & they agreed to hear him with that view So I made appointment for him next Sunday morning here. At night preached in the Methodist Church here - the pastor being sick. Met a few of the members afternoon at Bro. Schillings & had a long conversation with them about the affairs of their Church.

Monday 16th Wrote a short report to the Ex. Com. - visited some with Bro. Watkins & am to take the cars for Alliance at 7 oclock. Reached Alliance at 9½ Oclock - Lodge here tonight

Tues. 17 Came home early. Spent the day visiting at Mr. Rothauffs -

Wed. 18th Wrote application for licensure of Wo. Watkins by the President of Wittenberg Synod ~~wrote~~ & remitted it to the Pres. Rev. S. Sprecher. Wrote to Rev. Grabbin.
Thurs. 19th Wrote a Constitution for the proposed Church at Alliance. Wrote to Chas. A. Heinitsh at Lancaster, Sending to Provost Marshall there my certificate of enrollment here. Came to Alliance. Heard Rev. Brown preach.
Frid. 20th Wrote to Church Council at N. Georgetown & to Rev. Dr. Joseph Holdrich Cor. Sec. of Am. Bib. Soc. Spent the day in visiting among the people here with reference to organization on Sunday. Preached at night.
Sat. 21st Still at Alliance visiting among the people. Now have 34 names to be admitted to membership.

tomorrow.
Sund. 22nd After a sermon by bro. Brown I proceeded to organize the Church. First the members by letter were received, 35 in number. Second those by profession of faith 3 in number Third the Constitution which I had preproced was adopted; Fourth Officers were elected. The organization being now complete the Church proceeded to elect a pastor whereupon Rev. J. H. Brown was unanimously elected.
Afternoon Inducted the officers elect into office Preached a short discourse on the Sacrament & Bro Brown consecrating the elements invited the Communicants.
Night Bro. Brown preached The exercises were well attended & the audience was very respectable & attentive. I formally presented after afternoon service a most beautiful Communion set donated to

the Church by Mrs. Weyman
of Pittsburgh, Pa. A Collection
of sixteen dollars was take
at the close of Communion
Service to defray Ch. Bk. expenses.
Thanks to God for this very
encouraging success! This under
taking has cost me much
labor & anxiety, but it has
richly repaid me. May God
be with this people! May
Christ, the Head of the Church
continue with to the end!
Monday. 23rd This forenoon
~~wrote records of~~ made a
brief record of the origin
of the Alliance Church in
a Record Book which I
left with the Council.
Also wrote a brief Report
to the Con. & at noon came
home. All well.
Afternoon wrote to Rev. Gottwald
& Mrs. G. & to Mr. Ockershausen.
Tues. 24th At home. wrote
to Rev. L. Hoover, & Mrs. Weyman

are of Pittsburgh Pa. Also Revs. Sivadbaugh, G. G. Bell & R. F. Delo. & Mr. Monsp Surface & Mr. B. Shirk. Also Mr. J. W. Schilling & Mr. Emery Miller

Wed 25 Afternoon went to Orrville to prospect with reference to Mr. pierce. No encouragement Came home late.

Thurs. 26th At home — wrote Quarterly Report & letter to Dr. Morris & to G. W. Lockenring.

Fri. 27th Wrote to Rev. Brown I now am preparing to go to Mt. Vernon & Ohio to Indiana. Came as far as Mansfield O. & here I remain with Bro. Pennie tonight. Wrote here this evening a long letter to Dr. Greenwald concerning the affairs of the Church at N. Philadelphia O. in reply to a letter from him.

Sat. 28th Came to Mt Vernon where I was met at the depot by Bro. Sivadbaugh

 Nots. Beaman

who has been laboring here for about 4 weeks with a view to effect a Lutheran Organization. Last Sunday he organized with 33 members. Preached this evening.

Sund. 29th Morning addressed the Sunday School. Preached at 10½ Oclock. Held a business meeting immediately after services for the purpose of adopting a Constitution & making some arrangements for a temporary supply of pastor. The Constitution that I presented was adopted & bro. Kavanaugh was chosen supply. Preached again at night to a large & attentive audience.

Monday 30th. Wrote a brief Report of this place to the Committee & also a letter to bro. Brohill. Preached at night to a large audience

while here I have been lodg-
ing with my uncle Ja.
Jones Offices, who has been
residing here for many years.
Have had a very pleasant
time with him & his ex-
cellent family.
Tues. 31. Wrote to my wife
& now quit the town for
Newark where I wish to
prospect a little in the
mission cause. Reached Newark
at 3 Oclock - Came out this
evening to Bro. Clemmons &
here spend the night - have had
a long consultation with him
about our prospects at New
ark - I fear they are not very
good.
Wed.

February - 1865

1st Came into town Newark
this morning - called on a
few Lutherans - only a few here -
not many I think of much
means & force of character

can be found in or around the place. Called on Rev. Galbreath & obtained his consent to have the St Johns Church near Mt. Vernon connected with Mt. Vernon — & his promise to resign it with a view thereto as soon as a suitable pastor can be obtained for the two together. At noon took the cars for Springfield — where I arrived in the evening — heard bro. Titus preach & had a consultation with the brethren about Mission Matters. Visited my wife's excellent sister Mrs. Rogers. — Wrote tonight to bro. Stefling.

Thurs. 2nd Wrote home — Called on bro. Ort whose brother had visited the Charlottsville Charge at my request & found that the latter would not accept the call if extended — here again is dis

appointment - Lord help me in this perplexing work! Afternoon - took Cars for New-Castle Indiana - stopping at Hagerstown three hours - had a talk with some of the leading members about my taking subscription there for Home Missions. Evening took Cars - delayed two hours at Richmond & reached New Castle after 1 oclock at night - Put up at Hotel -

Frid. Feb. 3rd Called on Bro. Benjamin Shirk - with whom I lodged more than ten years ago when here. Was received most cordially. But he being Clerk of the Court & it being now in session here he has been absent all the day & I have had a few hours alone - Blessed privilege to have a few hours free from interruption for reflection & prayer.

Read some to day. Wrote to each of my dear little girls, & to Rev. Rulvin.

Sat. 4th At New Castle Still. Wrote to Mrs. Officer, Rev. Bell & Rev. Kunkleman.

Afternoon preached preparatory sermon. Night preached again.

Sund. 5th Preached forenoon & administered the Communion. Night preached again — had good audiences & good attention. A good day. The Lord be praised! Rev. Benjamin Hurk with whom I lodge is a most excellent man.

Monday 6th Wrote to Rev. Linsabaugh & to Lutheran Church Council at Mt. Vernon O. Lectured on Western Africa at night. Wrote to Rev. Geo. Seiter.

Tues. 7th Wrote to Susan & Mr. Ockershausen forenoon — Afternoon went on train 12 miles to Middletown — thence rode horse-

back 4 miles to Rich Woods Ch.
& preached at 9½ Oclock—Even
ing preached again at School-
House near Bro. Swygerts. Loved—
Lodged with Bro. Swygert.
Wed. 8th Met several of the
principal members of the
Rich Woods Church at Bro
Swygerts to consult about
the arrangements to form
the Charge & support the
pastor. A pleasant meeting.
Afternoon came back to New
Castle. Write to Rev. Sele.
Thursday Feb. 9th ~~New Castle~~
left New Castle with Bro.
Shrik to go ~~to~~ R. R. Station
to take cars for Charlottsville.
Reached Charlottsville afternoon.
Called on a few Lutheran peo
ple—conclude that as Carthage
will not unite with this
church as a charge we cannot
just now do any thing for
it. Evening took cars for Cir.
Break down—detention at

Richmond all night—
Lodged at the Gault House.
Frid. 10th Took Cars for Cincinnati—reached here at 2
Oclock—Several letters—one
from home stating that my
dear wife has been very
Ill. Am exceedingly sad this
evening. Wrote to Bro. Watkins &c—Lodge tonight with
bro. Henry Smith—with
whom my wifes excellent
& aged mother & also sister
Noble spend the winter—If
all were well at home could
feel happy.
Sat. 11th Rose early—Wrote
to ~~[illegible]~~ Rev. Mr. Ost, Bro. Leissering & my wife. Came
over to Covington to meet
bro. Acker who is to take
me to the Church near
New Florence where I am to
spend the Sunday. While
Waiting here at the Ellerton
House I wrote to bro. Geo. Griffin

Afternoon came out with bro. Noah Surface to his house & preached at night in Ebenezer Church near by. Sunday Feb. 12th Morning preached at Hopeful Church to a pretty large audience though the roads were very rough & the weather very cold. Afternoon rode back to bro. Surfaces & at night preached at Ebenezer Church to full house. Baptized a child of bro. Carpenters. I find here a great many that are fully in sympathy with the Rebel cause, & they are about as disloyal to the Church as to the Government. But they are turning [illegible] a little & many of them will before long come over to the right stand. I have advised forbearance on the part of the loyal members. With the others I have little chance to speak

Sund. 13th Wrote to Revs. Gotwald & Ehrenfeldt & to Mr. Zheinitsh, to Dr. Greenwald, & Uncle Webb. Preached at night at Ebenezer Church. — Lodge at Bro. E. Carpenter.

Tues. 14th Came to Cincinnati.

Wed 15th At Cincinnati — Wrote to Rev. Steck & to my wife.

Thurs. 16 Rose early at Cincinnati & took cars for New Castle Indiana. Reached here at 12½ Oclock. Found bro. Bell here. People seem pretty well pleased with him. Wrote to Revs. Selo, Linsalacy & my wife, & Rev. J. b. Henkleman.

Frid 17th At New Castle — Wrote to Ch. Council at Rich Woods, to Rev Bishop, Settlemoyer, Ruthrauff, L. H. Walkley Esq. & Mr. Ockershausen.

Sat 18th At New Castle — not very well today — wrote to Rev. A. H. Smythe.

Sund. 19th At New Castle. Forenoon

evening preached in the Lutheran Ch. Afternoon addressed the S. S. in the United Brethren Ch. Did not speak with ease to-day. My throat being sore & my voice very husky. I fear that my voice is beginning permanently to fail. I retire tonight somewhat sad of heart.
Mond. 20th - At New Castle - Wrote a brief Report to the Ex. Com. also a letter home & one to Rev. J. P. Harrington. Heard bro. Bell preach tonight - He has told me he will accept. Thank the Lord this case is disposed of & hope it will do very well.
Tues. 21st Came to Springfield - Stopping a while at Dayton - where I received two bundles of letters from Revs. Rice & Kistler in Africa - Some for me - & others for their friends & acquaintances. This evening attended Anniversary exercises of the Excelsior Society of

Witt. College. Performances not at all equal to those of the Societies generally heretofore.
Wed. 22 Wrote from Springfield to Rev. Lenderking, Miss Quadake, Miss McCoy, & enclosed to ~~the last~~ to them all letters from Africa. also wrote to Rev. J. W. Goodlin & forwarded letters to Lutheran Observer, to Mr. E. Zeigler, Mr. L. Rostick, Mr. John Sheibly. At night spoke briefly in the Lutheran Church Springfield. & at 9½ P.M. took cars for Bellefon. which I reached near midnight.
Thurs. 23 Forenoon at Bellefontaine O. in conference with bro. Goodlin about Home Missions in Witt. Syn. & with bro. Horbert about a Mission among the Freed men of the South. Afternoon took cars for Ft. Wayne Indiana, delayed at Forest till near

2 Oclock at night. Wrote from Forest to my dear wife & to my brother-in-law Griffin.
Frid. 24th Reached Ft. Wayne this morning at daylight. Find that brother Ruthrauff cannot go with me to Bryan Williams Co. O. as agreed & that owing to the State of the roads I cannot go across the country—So I change my plan & visit Elkhart first. Wrote to bros. Weigand, Leany, & Kunkleman.
Sat. 25th Rose early & started from Ft. Wayne to South Bend where I arrived late in the evening—& called on bro. C. & C. Uhl with whom I lodge. Rain all day.
Sund. 26th A disagreeable day. Forenoon attended services at the Presbyterian Church—afternoon addressed the S. School there & at night preached same place

Mond. 27th Called on some of the Lutheran members at South Bend this morning & then came down to Elkhart where Bro. Selo has just located at my request. Afternoon spent in conference with Bro. Selo.
Tues. 28th Visited, with Bro. Selo, the Trustees of the Baptist Church here (Elkhart) & secured from them the use of the building at least for a few months & perhaps for a year. Evening wrote a brief report to the Committee.
Wed. March 1st 1865.
Morning at Elkhart wrote to Rev. R. Hill & Rev. John Brown. Reached Bryan Ohio at 2 Oclock. Having not received a letter as I expected from Bro. Long I knew of no one to call on here. After an hour or two I found some Lutherans belonging to the Ger-

man Church served by Rev. C. Reutter — found him & was by him introduced to a Mr. Brown with whom I lodge.. Received letters from my wife, Dr. Norris, & Bro. Ockerhausen.
Thurs. March 2nd — Wrote — from Bryan — to Mis. Office — Dr. Norris — Rev. Watkins, & Mr. Ockerhausen & Rev. A. H. Myers. Met Bro. Long here this afternoon & after a conference with him called the members that I have visited — at least the principal men together to consult. Met at at Bro. Wards Cabinet Shop — Bro Long being present — Bro. Long to visit more & report & I to come again & remain a few days.
Frid 3rd Rose before day at Bro. Wards & took the Cars for Toledo. Called on Bro Schuler but finding that he was about to remove I did not make further examination.

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Evening came down to Shelby & lodged with Mr. Summers.

Sat. March 4th Came to Crestline called on several of the Brethren who informed me that they wished Mr. Foust to preach for them & that he would do so if the people of Nevada would release him. ~~Went to Nevada [illegible]~~ Came to Nevada lodged with Mr. Goodbread.

Sunday 5th Addressed S. S. in the Morning. Preached on Africa Missions at 2 Oclock P. M. & heard Mr. Foust preach at night. Called principal members together they not willing to let Mr. F go to Crestline

Mond. 6th Came to Crestline. Conferred with Mr. Knisely & came on to Shreve where I stopped a few hours with Mother & Sisters & then came on home by 11 Oclock at night. All well.

Tues. 7th Numerous letters – some from Africa – forwarded to bro. Sendaling. Write to Revs D. Sprecher, J. Berlin & M. C. Fel=ker.

Wed. 8th At home.

Thurs. 9 Went to Wooster in search of a house to rent & on unspun business. Write to Ockerman to Dr. Harris & for Locomeny

Frid. 10th Went up to Shreve & engaged boarding for my family with my mother & sister who are about to remove from there to Fredericksburg. Came home at night.

Sat. 11th Write to Rev. Kunkle=man, Atkinson, Summers, & Dr. Morris.

Sund. 12th At home. The only Sunday that I have spent here since moving to this place. Delightful to spend a peaceful Sunday with my family – Heard bro. Stelling preach in the forenoon & at night I preached for him.

Mond. 13th Wrote to Rev. A. H. Brown remitting him $75 — the amount due him for his first quarters service at Alliance.
Tues. 14th At home — Wrote to Revs. Brewer, Swartz & Hill. Eggers, Crigler & Mr. Jerz.
Wed 15th At home
Thurs 16th At home
Frid. 17th Having heard that there are some Lutheran people settling in the vicinity of Akron I came up here today — Called on Mr. C. Cranz & lodge with him.
Sat. 18th Made considerable search for Lutherans in town during the morning but found none — besides Mr. Cranz. But having heard of some families that have lately removed from Pa. to a neighborhood 3 mis. east of town I walked out first to Mr. Henry Mutz. In this region are Several Members & they are

anxious to have a church. Came back in the evening to Akron.
Sund. March 19th Morning addressed a small S.S. in the Ger. Ref. Ch. of Akron. Also preached same place forenoon. & afternoon attended a Communion meeting at the Congregationalist Ch. & aided in its administration by request of the pastor Bro. Smith. At night lectured in Ger. Ref. Ch.
Mond. March 20th Came home today or rather tonight — having found five or two more Lutherans in Akron.
Tues. 21st Making preparations to move as I can't rent no house in Canton. Will send my family to Fredericksburg to board with my mother till I can decide what to do.
Wed. 22nd At home preparing to move —
Thurs. 23rd At home — Packing

Frid 24th At home - wrote to Rev. Kunkleman remitting $50 for Rev. Kragh - to Dr. Krauth & Editor Luth Observer - & to Rev. Bishop.

Sat. 25th Came to Mt. Vernon to arrange for forming Mt. Vernon & St John's Churches into a Charge & procuring a pastor for them. This evening rode out to the neighborhood of St Johns - hoping to see Rev. Gilbreath but he did not come. Returned to town.

Sund. 26th Morning briefly addressed the S.S. in Mt Vernon & then rode to St John's & preached. Also after service spoke to the people about forming the new Charge, but proposed no definite action as Bro. Gilbreath was not present. The people seemed to prefer Bro. A. H. Myers - Afternoon went to Mt. Vernon & held a meeting of the Ch. members relative to the same matter

They agreed that I should provide bro. Nugent to visit them. Night, lectured on West Africa at South Ch. Mt. Vernon.
Mond. 27th Took early train for Mansfield – thence to Ashland to see bro. Nugent – he gone to country – went after him – walked 8 or 9. miles – did not find him came back to Ashland & awaited his return – tonight have arranged for his visit to Mt. Vernon.
Tues. 28th Came home late at night.
Wed. 29th Packing up to move
Thurs. 30th Finished packing up & now am nearly ready to take my family to Fredericksburgh where they will board with my mother for a few weeks at least. Wrote to bro. Summers.
Frid. 31st Came with my family to Fredericksburg – My wife quite unwell – Found all our friends quite well.

Saturday April 1st 1865.
At Fredericksburg—The few goods that we brought from Canton have arrived today. Busy all afternoon in unpacking & fixing up.

Sunday April 2nd Preached morning & evening in the M. E. Church of Fredericksburg.

Mond. 3rd Busy fixing up at Fredericksburg.

Tues. 4th At Fredericksburg.—Wrote to Geo. L. Stears Esq. David Wonderson, E. Wells. Rev. H. M. Brewer, Rev. A. H. Snighe, Rev. J. Shaver,